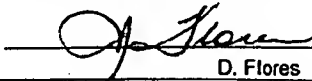


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AMENDMENT

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Introductory Comments

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2008. A three-month extension of time is hereby requested to extend the deadline for responding to the Office Action until January 14, 2009. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the extension fee and any additional fees, which may be required to further the prosecution of the captioned application, to Deposit Account No. 03-1620, referencing Attorney Docket No. 00041-DV3.

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